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Sir

Soho Birmingham
25th August

I received (under cover from Mr Vaughan) the honour of your Letter dated 19th Inst. with an Extract of Mr Boardmore's letter to you. In reply thereto, I must observe that the cannon shot of Mr Wilkinson is not proper for the purpose of Coin because it is enough rough on the surface & not so regular as to direct its thickness as is necessary to make Exact Money & of Uniform Weights. It is therefore necessary to roll the rolled iron of Messrs Wilkinson & Hobbs, by which means a fine surface & a more exact & uniform thickness is obtained. However there is one Mill in the surrounding without which even the Copper rolled over so fine, the surface would not be improved, but those are things I am perfectly master of; & have an excellent Rolling Mill & every other convenience, besides which I am concerned in many Copper Mines & smelting in a Copper smelting Work, & can dispose upon reasonable terms any Quantity of the Blanks you may require.

Copper is a Commodity that fluctuates much in price

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& whatever price I might quote to you a piece, may probably be altered, either higher or lower when your orders may arrive from America. The present price I should ask for such Blanks as I have sent you a Specimen of, is

1st Your Length for Size
2d Rough Hot & fine cold Rolling, to a precise Thickness & make the Surface clean & bright
3d Cutting out 41 1/3 pieces in 1 Pound Avoirdupois
4. Annealing
5. Cleaning the Surface

} £ 119 P Ton or 12 3/4 P C lb

I have on a former occasion sent Specimens of my Coin both to General Wayne, Governor Pickering & Mr Rittenhouse the Master of the Mint at Philadelphia & I now think it would be better for many reasons I could give to send the pieces ready Coined & quite finished at 140 £ a Ton or 15 d P lb for every thing. My Money is perfectly round & of equal Diam.r, which is not the case with any other. I have sent you a few Specimens of the kind of Blanks you want, but not to your weight, which will make no difference in price & I have also sent you

Sir you may draw on the Bearer for the List of Prices Curt (Monthly L
L
The present price of these Copper is from 131. 6. 8 to 126 L
for, the former being mistaken by 5 p Cent to L 364 — 4 lbs 3 Qrs
will Carry under 2 Tun of Blanks & 3 Qrs — Freight 102. 13. 4
Insured by 159 L 261. 6. 8
L 130. 13. 4 Leave
4 Dear Coby these Copper exchange nothing for my Expences (Letter
me the Marks, weight, smelting, Coinage, Cost, Blanks, Agency &c
prest. Interest of Money Original Expences, Duty of Sum to give
for all these things & the interest they should cost L 130. 13. 4 for
reckon on the first Cost in Currency all my Expences & profits L 120. 6. 8
to draw for the Amount (with Copy of Shipping Order the
time of delivery to your order the in London Duckton limited
in my Name for 1/12 Dk & Mrs after Date, but first and 3 Mo
named Date the pay one by as above L 130. 13. 4 for Amount for
ready Money for the Copper; & with the above pieces must be
add the Cost of each 15 L. for Coinage & Insured by Duke
of Mr & Duckton at 2 p. Cent Insurance L. 6. 8 p. Shipping charges
at Duckton Liverpool at 1 p. London &c. make an Abstract of your
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Mr Porter undertakes the freight must be agreed for by the Ships
the Passengers may have in Number 100 of which C will be according to
the Tons. Any Rolls Copper that are to be Drawn for Blanks must be
sufficiently Smooth on the surface and sufficiently equal in thickness for
making Blanks or if not the Surface of the surface must be Lathed
by the Gauge rods for annealing but any Copper in Rolls C.S. in fine
polished Rolls of the Surface prepared fine in the annealing. If they are
ordered to be Milled on the Edges with any Inscription or with Plain
round Edges I will mill them for an Addition of £5. P. Ton. If Blanks
be for Coin to Mill them before they are annealed then afterwards
in that case the Coin will in general Lose the Metal against
the Edges and Blanks so annealed & Blanked they will be ready for
Coining the moment they arrive but if you wish to have them
Coined I will do that for the Addition of £14. P. Ton compleat,
which add to the £118. 6. 8 makes £142. 6. 8 a Compleat

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any Conference you may make with Mr Jeans for
he is Guide to you because you cannot buy and Sell
to Price, nor Coin neither, or to your City I can

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work. For my own time the Journey of would be unfortunate
after I have so timely notice of it, the Cake Office that
may engage me for future but I think I could dispose
the 5 Ton you mention in a fortnight or three Weeks after
your order, & Take time please to indulge a hour in Leaden
that will be worth my While on the term of Duking in Mr Hall
is similar to the Duking in Bullion or Money the Manufacturing
part bearing but a trifle proportion to the intrinsick Value.

Sir

Your most Obt. Servant

Matt: Boulton

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Mint 4 the 11th of June 1797

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To Messrs Boulton and Watt

Soho

1797

Sir

I have not Regard to have been favored with your proposals relative to Copper Planchets, and accordingly remitted money to pay for the first Quantity wanted for, to make Trial preparation for a regular Secretary supply — I have been extremely mortified at the want of punctuality in sending them and, having proceeded upon them, am left without one piece of Copper and unable to do any Business as to the Copper Coinage — The first Delay proceeded from a hesitation about the rise in the Price of Sheet Copper but what can delay the remaining importation I cannot conceive — I have written by Mr Bayard to press you for £1350 — that I may soon as you shall be able to forward the Planchets ~~for Copper and Steel~~ sent first, which with a Ballance remaining in Hand of what was formerly sent, I hope will be stopped without the least unnecessary Delay, ~~Planchets~~ of the Coin is greatly to be encouraged — I should be glad if at least 15 Tons of you have them ready — If not £8 Tons be shipped at two different times, as they can be got ready — If any Ballance should remain due to you it shall be remitted ~~by the first~~ immediately — By what you send shall suit us, you may expect to supply us with that Quantity Spring & Years — I hope to hear from you by the first Opportunity, from down or Bristol — You will please to get insured whatever you send —

I am Sir &c

Mr Boulton

1 Box by Wilkins & Co. — 1000
1 Box D° & D° — 120
1 Box by James Gibbs — 230
1350

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Mint of the U.S. 5 June 1797

Dear Sir

I am greatly mortified, that we have as yet heard a word from Mr Bolton relative to the Copper Planchets so long since sent for. We are now quite Idle as to Coining, whole Remain to enter it anew. — Enclosed you have a Letter to Mr Bolton, & Bills of Exchange to amount of £1390 Stg. as A. for £ which with the Bills heretofore sent of £1250 Stg. makes up £2640 Stg. which after deducting the £37-17-6 Stg. to Mr Coltman, & the money paid for the Planchets on the way, I have requested may be immediately sent out to Planchets by the very first Vessel, without unnecessary Delay —

I am with great Respect

Dear Sir

Your very Hble Servt

Samuel Vaughan Esq.

1 Sett Bills selling @ Brants on 60 Ds £1000 —
1 Do — 2/3 — on Do 3 Do 120
1 Do — Jones & Clark on Hope 60 Do 270
Stg £1390

Secretary

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Transcribed by Steve
1997

Yours Favour by the Express duly to hand,
& the Gentlemen mentioned appears to have offered upon as reasonable
Conditions for accomodation, which I believe the Officers very
readily agree to, the Regt have conformed better of the
Country Cloth Rather than Paper Money has been recommended
which I believe has been found rather to answer inconveniency than
Benefit to you, but we thought it would not do
for the purpose for which your Excellency proposed the Issuing of the
Paper Money

The Gentlemen who Superintend the
Stores that have often given the Express the Power to
draw Provisions therefrom, the Bearer who Commands the
Escort brought Waggons with him, but they have brought them into the Head of
that Head of Navigation must be the reason of his having not
the Waggons Loaded, for as we have not the power to Hire
Waggons ourselves, I thought say it might be Expedient to
take them with him to the Stores and that he should
Receive Provisions for the Troops, & Forage for the
Horses of Provisions for 3 days, he has not been able to learn that he
has any Stores for them, he had that Consent to signify
this Request for the Last Campaign Some Stores Left

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Sam.l Bayard Esq.r

London Feby 28th 1798

Sir

Agreeably to your Letter Mr. Donaldson

order'd have forwarded for Limpsfield 65 Casks containing

Tobacco Stems

9. 18. 2. 12 @ 6 p.r Hundred which were shipped on the 24th Inst.

on Board the Manchester as p.r Bill of Lading enclosed herewith

This Hundred is to join County Cork, but should

I see fit you on certain information, therefore your

Broker must on such contrary information in making

proper arrangements for joining County there or elsewhere.

By the Invoice herewith you will

perceive the Amount to be £ 1070 16. 6 for which Sum

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Take an early opportunity to draw on me, stating the
Amount with every Satisfaction you can give
Respecting
Your
Your most obt Servt
for Matthew Boulton
Wm B. Bryan

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28 Casks ~ ~ ~

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Philadelphia Merch. of the 1st July 1798

Sir

Expecting Mr Bayard would not leave London
before you ~~The above is copy of my last~~
~~to you~~ ~~to Mr Bayard who~~ I wrote him, to settle with you Privately, a plan for
~~ensure~~ a regular supply of Copper Planchette, and ~~left~~ to be left in London ready
for the arrival ~~of Vessels~~ ~~from~~ ~~which~~ ~~not yet~~ to be sent
since that Date I have rec.d by the Manchester, Sundry finer
Cakes of Planchette, but without Invoice, or Bill — of the
I hope Mr Bayard will be able to furnish me with —
these Planchette are just as I wished them and an-
swer every purpose we expected — In future, I shall
hope for ~~expect~~ a regular supply in such quantities as you can
furnish by every convenient Opportunity so as to make
up about 40 or 50 Tons ~~for~~ per annum — I shall keep up
a Direct Correspondence with you, and wish for your
information of
address, by the best means of communication — Your
Commands shall be punctual, and if at any time, by
accident, they should be delayed, it shall be made good
by the allowance of Interest — I wish to have every
Shipment insured at such Office you are in the
insurance made here — If the Agent would act for
employer, I should be much obliged, by particular In-
structions for the hardening of Dyes — for altho we
have them bloomly cast down, yet our loss in them
is much greater than I can think necessary —
If I could obtain a Shipment of half a Ton of the
best Steel for the making of Dyes, I should be much obliged.
When I see Mr Bayard, who is owned at New York
I shall be informed of the State of my Acct with you —
In expectation of hearing from you by the first Oppor-
tunity I remain Dear Sir Your very Hd Servt

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11 New Jersey 8th Oct. 1796

Matthias Boulton Esqr

Sir

Being on a Jaunt thro this State, having left Philadelphia on Acct of the prevailing Epidemick I have sold a Bill of Exchang for £300 Sterling, that I have sent to remit to you, on Acct of the Merch of the United States, being in hopes that you have ere this, sent me a further Supply of Mr Blanchetts, agreeably to my several Letters, sent by Different Conveyances from Philadelphia. The Bill is the first of the 4th Drawn by Hamt D'Oyley Esqr of the Island of Jamaica, on Messrs Abm Rebello & Co. Merch in London for £300 Stg payable in 60 Days, Dated 17 May last. You will be so good as to carry this to the Credit of the Merch, and advise me by Letter Per Packet of the Receipt of the same. Shall be Remitted as soon as I get Mr Blanchetts Account into your hands. I must beg you will not Disappoint me in a constant Supply from time to time as opportunity offers.

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your very Hble Servt

M. M. Boulton Esqr

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front, equal to ten Horses constantly at work, the whole shipped on board a Vessel bound for this Port, so that Congress may have a View of the entire Expence by adding the Freight and Insurance — This is an Opposition in Congress with the Minority of the Mint — at any Rate therefore it will be necessary for me to have an accurate Estimate of all the Expences attending it, that the Extent of the Advance may be known, as if Congress should come into the Measure, an express Appropriation may be made for it, as no Money can be issued from our Treasury without it —

I have the honor to be with great Respect

Sir Your ob[t] & Hble Serv[t]

Thos. Boudinot Esq[r]

N.B. This Letter has been detained from the Assembly of Maryland Bills of Exchange which from a Number of concurring Circumstances have been in a uncertain State of fluctuation between drawing & refusing to draw, waiting for the turn of Events — and at last have been obliged to send to Baltimore where none could be got under 90 Days Sight & they have reduced the Sum I sent for by £50 for their own purposes — I shall renew the Remittance in a short time —

Dec[r] 21. 1793

Original Rec[d] this Before

by Letter

Duplicate per Packet via N. York

Triplicate per Ship ~~from Liverpool~~

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Mint of the United States
Nov. 6th 1799.

Sir

I have the honor of acknowledging the Receipt of your favor of the 3d of July by this with the 17 Tons of coffee Pearlashe amounting with the Charges as per Your Acct. £2903.10.8 Sterling, which is carried to your credit — These Pearlashe have arrived in the best order, & are a welcome Shipment — Enclosed you have the proper Document to shew that the Swanwick sailed with armed Vessels, & of Course that we are entitled to the return of 2 p Ct which you will be so good as to carry to the Credit of the Mint —

We have been so deranged by the dreadful and repeated Visitation of the Yellow Fever, that our Business are just getting into Operation again, after an Absence of two Months, & as the public Offices are but just returning and not yet quite settled it is with some difficulty I fear you should be wholly disappointed, that I have sent you enclosed, a Bill on Brickwoods & Daniel, London — drawn in favour of Revd J. Bond — at 30 Days sight — by David Stewart & Sons of Baltimore for £1251.11 Sterling, which when honored, I beg you to pass to the Credit of the Mint — And I hope by some winter Ship to send you Bills to cover a spring Shipment —

I am preparing to lay before Congress, an entire new plan of a Mint, as I am dissatisfied with our present Establishment — to enable me to do this with Precision, will you be so good as to let me know what you will charge for a compleat Apparatus of a Mint, on your own best approved plan, including a pair of Screw, together with a steam Engine,

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plish equal to 2 Years constantly at work, the whole shipped on board a Fleet bound for the Port, so that Congress may have a view of the entire Expence by Way the proper Journal — and to this end desire ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ — Then a Resolution in Congress with the Minority of the House at any rate, therefore it will be necessary for me to have an accurate Estimate of all the Expences attending it, that the extent of Business may be known, as if Congress should come into the measure, an explicit appropriation may be made for it, as no Money can be issued from the Treasury without it — Yours &c —

Mr Hamilton will copy this with the necessary variations when the Bills are furnished, if they approve of — If the Bills should be ready & they can be sent by this Fleet, I give my Name to the Letter and underneath add (Copy) and we will send an Original by another Vessel —

P.S. This Letter has been detained from the difficulty of obtaining Bills of Exchange — which from a number of concurring Circumstances have been in a most violent State of Fluctuation between drawing & refusing to draw — waiting for the Issue of Events — and at last many have been obliged to accept Bills at 90 days, when none could be got under 60 days sight; by this I have reduced the Sum I sent for by £50. for their own purposes — I shall remit the Millions in a short time —

Dec[r] 21. 1789

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Mint of the Unit. 6 Nov. 1799

Sir

I have the honour of acknowledging the rec.t of your favour of the 3.d — of July — together with the 17 Sets of Copper Planchets amounting to the Sum with the Charge as per your Acc.t to £2963.10.8 Sterl.g which is carried to your Cred.t — These Planchets have arrived in the best order and are a welcome Shipment — I indeed you have the proper Document to shew that the Swan was cleared with Cargo & Vessel of course that we are entitled to a return of the 2 p.c: what you will be so good as to carry to the Cred.t of the Mint — — We have been so deranged by the dreadful visitation of the yellow fever, that our business cannot be transacted with the usual punctuality. We are just getting out of operation again after an absence of two Months — I trust it will be approved by that I hope — I have hopes that we shall be enabled to file our Returns by this Vessel and the public Offices are but just returning and will yet I am sorry to say be much diminished (as you must be wholly unapprized) of I have sent you Invoices & Bills of Exchange Brothers & Daniel Ludlow Jun.r drawn in favour of Rev.d J. J. Bond — at 90 Days sight by David Stewart & Sons of Ballinger for £1201-11 Sterl, which when honored, I beg you to pass to the Credit of the Mint — but as I do not like to trust you to be [illegible] I hope by some Vessel to send you Bills to cover — sorry Shipment —

I am preparing to lay before Congress, an entire new plan of our Mint, as I am dissatisfied with our present Establishment — I could me to this with precision, will you be so good as to let me know what you will charge for a compleat apparatus of a Steam Engine on your own best approved plan, for [illegible] with a Steam Engine com-

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The Mint of the United States

To Matthew Boulton

1791
June 25 Shipped at Liverpool by the Swanwick

No 103. — 103 Casks of Copper Planchets
Weight as Particulars by the Ships T. & W. 17 T. 2 Q. 24 lbs. amount £210. 18. 8.

Rolling, Cutting and Grounding Edges, Annealing &c &c by 461. 6. 3

103 Casks at 2/8 13. 14. 8

Duty & Shipping Charges at Liverpool 61. 1. 7

Insurance on £2900 in the Swanwick
Richard Rathbone at & from Liverpool to Philadelphia
at 18 Guineas ₰ Cent to return £1 ₰ Cent if sails
with Convoy for Cape, or £3 ₰ Cent if sails with
Convoy bound to Quebec or Newfoundland, or
£2 ₰ Cent if sails with Packet Convoy or Bound
& Ships Services 243. 12. —

Policy £3. 12. 6. Com.n £7. 5. — 10. 17. 6

£2903. 10. 8

Elias Boudinot Esq.r

John Nicholas Bevington Esq.r

Sir

Inclosed you receive my Account Copy of the 25th June
last which I have settled the Shipping & the Insurance but not by
the Packet, that Vessel having since taken another direction, by the
above Account you will perceive my Price of Copper is for that
the Price that is now Selling or that the Price of any will warrant

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The price at which Ore in our Bot. Copper cannot be sold at less than £ 135. ℔ Ton, Should in the results your Lands you will have made a handsome remittance towards the Balance of former Shipment & the present Cont.ts. viz.t.

Balance of former Shipment £ 58.7.5

Present Cont.t 2903.10.8

£ 2961.18.1

Inclosed to my next Shipment Ships Copper Ore will fall in price, also that having the Stoneworks well arrived previous to or any soon after the Ores to hand. I remain

Sir Your most Obed.t Serv.t

for Matthew Boulton

Wm. B. Brown

PS

Please procure the necessary for insuring of any returns of Shipments that may be due on Cont.t of the Swansea Valley Smelting under any of the circumstances specified.

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Soho near Birm.m May 31 1799

Chas Bonfield Esq.r

Sir

I received your esteemed favr. of the 26th March on the 27th inst. covering David Stuart & Sons of Ballindee on Brickwoods & Daniel of London three Bills value together £1150. say eleven hundred & fifty pounds, sterling payable at 90 days after sight which when paid shall be passed to your credit. I perceive by examining a copy of your acct. rendered to which as well as any Letter they came to refer. that on the original Invoice made out to Mr. Boulton at Liverpool a mistake in the duty & post charges of £32.18.1d. from for the total £1608.4.5 which you will please note accordingly. I am yet unable to give you any acct. of the report of the committee of Inquiry in the opposition business as the discussion in parliament has been put off from time to time. Mr. Boulton is again returned to London on the same subject & writes yesterday that nothing is yet decided. Unless you should receive further orders to send out more planchets at the price he writes it may then will be no further occasion for any more planchets at the present time. I am in hopes of receiving a further order to proceed — there is every appearance of the price being £130 p.r ton in large cake ready to proceed — there is every appearance of the price being £130 p.r ton in large cake which on my invoice I charged £116.

I am much surprised that none of my letters had reached you on the 20th March but I hope ere this you will have received the whole except the annexed bill of Exchange & hope you will have received it before this reaches you & that the knowledge of which will give pleasure to

Sir

Your most humble Servt.

Signed for Matthew Boulton
Wm. D. Brewer

The Mint of the United States of America
To Matthew Boulton

1799 April 19 Shipped at Liverpool the Amelia 60 Casks of Planchets as p.r Invoice — 1608.4.5

Cr By Bill on Alves & Co — 400.0.0
By Bills on Brickwoods & Co — 1150.0.0 — 1550.0.0

£ 58.4.5

Soho June 25 1799

Chas Bonfield Esq.r

Sir

Annexed you have the particulars in weights of 103 Casks of planchets sent to Liverpool the 19th instant to be shipped on board the Ship Elizabeth by which ship you will receive the former as the sailing of this vessel I expect will take place at the 20th inst. I am forgetful I cannot remember you as the sailing of this vessel I expect will take place at the 20th inst. I am forgetful I cannot remember whether the duty and by how any other particulars as I have the invoice & effect & shipping Acc.t and know what the duty and charges at Liverpool will amount to which I shall hear from my Agent. The Copper business is not yet come into parliament, but Ministers have pledged themselves that something shall effectually be done early next session during the discussion of the business before the committee does have come 20 Cts. I cannot see the price of the former shipment at this moment, but when I shall have settled the insurance & get the charges of shipping I will forward you a compleat acct.

Enclosed is a bill of Exchange for £58.4.5 which I beg leave to refer you to the above copy of invoice of the 26th ult. & to assure you I am

Sir your most humble Servt.

for Matthew Boulton
Wm. D. Brewer

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Elias Boudinot Esqr
Director of the Mint
of the Clothier
Dec

Philadelphia

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Weights of 103 Casks of Copper Planchets forwarded to Liverpool to be shipped on board the Clothier Captn A. D. Gardner consigned to Elias Boudinot Esqr on Acc^t of the United States of America by Matthew Boulton Soho June 20. 1794

B	Gro Wt.	Tare	Nt Wt.	Gro Wt.	Tare	Nt Wt.
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3	3 1 27 4	12 1	3 1 14 ⁻ 14	35 3 1 18 4	11 13	3 1 6 ⁻
4	3 1 25 4	11 7	3 ⁻ 21 ⁻ 24	36 3 1 11 8	11 ⁻	3 1 ⁻ ⁻
5	3 1 21 8	12 9	3 1 8 ⁻	37 3 1 24 ⁻	12 3	3 1 11 ⁻
6	3 1 23 8	11 8	3 1 11 ⁻ 14	38 3 1 18 ⁻	12 6	3 1 5 ⁻
7	3 1 13 4	12 12	3 1 ⁻ ⁻ ⁻	39 3 1 16 12	12 ⁻	3 1 4 ⁻
8	3 1 26 ⁻	11 14	3 1 13 ⁻ 14	60 3 1 21 12	12 1	3 1 9 ⁻
9	3 1 4 12	11 4	3 ⁻ 20 ⁻ 14	61 3 1 24 8	11 11	3 1 12 ⁻
10	3 1 20 8	11 11	3 1 8 ⁻	62 3 2 1 8	12 2	3 1 16 ⁻ 14
11	3 1 13 ⁻	11 7	3 1 1 ⁻	63 3 2 3 ⁻	11 15	3 1 18 ⁻ 14
12	3 1 19 ⁻	11 9	3 1 6 ⁻ 14	64 3 1 11 12	11 1	3 1 ⁻ ⁻
13	3 1 12 12	12 1	3 1 ⁻ ⁻	65 3 1 12 12	12 ⁻	3 1 11 ⁻
14	3 1 22 ⁻	12 4	3 1 9 ⁻	66 3 1 24 8	11 13	3 1 12 ⁻
15	3 1 22 8	11 13	3 1 10 ⁻	67 3 1 12 4	11 12	3 1 ⁻ ⁻
16	3 1 20 12	11 15	3 1 8 ⁻	68 3 1 14 4	11 13	3 1 2 ⁻
17	3 1 24 12	11 10	3 1 12 ⁻ 14	69 3 1 17 ⁻	12 4	3 1 4 ⁻
18	3 1 19 8	11 14	3 1 7 ⁻	70 3 1 25 8	11 11	3 1 13 ⁻
19	3 1 20 8	11 13	3 1 8 ⁻	71 3 1 20 8	12 8	3 1 7 ⁻ 14
20	3 1 20 4	11 15	3 1 7 ⁻ 14	72 3 1 25 8	12 11	3 1 12 ⁻
21	3 1 13 ⁻	12 5	3 1 1 ⁻	73 3 1 19 8	11 15	3 1 7 ⁻
22	3 1 20 ⁻	11 13	3 1 7 ⁻ 14	74 3 1 20 ⁻	12 1	3 1 7 ⁻
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25	3 1 17 8	11 10	3 1 5 ⁻	77 3 1 19 4	11 12	3 1 7 ⁻
26	3 1 23 ⁻	11 10	3 1 10 ⁻ 14	78 3 1 17 ⁻	11 15	3 1 6 ⁻ 14
27	3 1 23 ⁻	11 13	3 1 10 ⁻ 14	79 3 1 12 8	11 9	3 1 ⁻ ⁻
28	3 1 24 12	11 12	3 1 12 ⁻	80 3 1 12 8	11 13	3 1 ⁻ ⁻
29	3 1 25 ⁻	11 10	3 1 12 ⁻ 14	81 3 1 17 ⁻	12 7	3 1 4 ⁻
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36	3 1 22 ⁻	11 6	3 1 10 ⁻	88 3 2 7 4	11 12	3 1 22 ⁻ 14
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38	3 1 20 ⁻	12 2	3 1 7 ⁻	90 3 1 22 12	10 15	3 1 11 ⁻
39	3 1 23 ⁻	11 8	3 1 10 ⁻ 14	91 3 1 24 4	11 6	3 1 12 ⁻
40	3 1 20 12	11 7	3 1 8 ⁻ 14	92 3 1 23 8	11 10	3 1 11 ⁻
41	3 1 17 12	11 9	3 1 5 ⁻ 14	93 3 1 23 ⁻	11 8	3 1 11 ⁻
42	3 1 16 8	11 4	3 1 4 ⁻ 14	94 3 1 23 8	11 5	3 1 11 ⁻
43	3 1 27 12	12 2	3 1 14 ⁻ 14	95 3 1 23 8	11 10	3 1 11 ⁻
44	3 1 12 8	11 15	3 1 ⁻ ⁻	96 3 1 17 8	11 10	3 1 5 ⁻
45	3 1 19 ⁻	12 11	3 1 6 ⁻	97 3 1 26 12	11 13	3 1 14 ⁻
46	3 1 20 8	11 10	3 1 8 ⁻	98 3 2 2 12	11 6	3 1 13 ⁻ 14
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London June 8th 1849

I have this moment received from my Agents
at Sea at Bristol the extract of your Letter of the 25th March.
As yesterday was the day for making up the American Mail
I fear this may be too late, but I am unwilling to lose the
chance of sending you a short letter to say that I have hired
the Yacht Atlantic to be prepared for you in 2 weeks time
as Ship is at that time upon the Berth at Bristol for
Liverpool. I shall in that case send 24 Tons to be
prepared & sent up the River to Bristol. And I am sorry to
say that Coals are very much as they were for nothing but
Coals is now sold at 12/6 per Ton & very little at that
however I have given command of as much as I could.

If you are acquainted with any of the Mountaineers in
the Schuylkill Mine I wish I could you to inform them that I
& my Partners have erected all the Steam Engines
upon the Cornish Mines the Newcastle Mines & all the
Deep Mines in England; & that we draw great quantities
of Water from the depths of 200 Fathoms or from any
other depths required; Consequently can keep the Schuylkill
mine dry. And as I am concerned in Copper Mines & Copper
mine Orys. And as I am concerned in Copper Mines & Copper
Smelting works I should be glad to contract with
them for all the Ore their Mines produce

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As soon as I return home I will take into consideration
the Estimate of Cranes &c &c I sent to you by
the last Mail but it is not in my power to say
I pray for credit sake to give me what Encouragement
I must know that before I can recommend the most
proper sort
My new mind is quite finished & is a beautyfull Machine
as it has been from Watts & Co the Complex Machinery
I have invented & proposed in one thing 40000 pieces
of Copper Money &c in one pound &c
I pray excuse my great Haste & believe me
Gentlemen &c &c most respectfully
Your most Obliged Humble Servt
Matt. Boulton
Soho

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Copy

Elias Bondinott Esqr

Soho June 25th 1799

Sir,

Annexed you have the particular Weights of 103 Casks of Planchets sent to Liverpool the 20th current to be shipped for the Clothier by which Vessel you will receive the present — ; as the sailing of this Vessel I expect will be about the 28th inst^t I am fearful I cannot furnish you by her any other particulars as I have the Insurance to effect, & besides I do not know what the duty & charges at Liverpool will amt to until I shall hear from my Agent.

The Copper Business is not gone into by Parliament, but Ministers have pledged themselves that something shall effectually be done early next Session: — during the discussion of the Business before the Committee Low Ores have risen 20 P^r Ct.

I cannot fix the Price of the present Shipment at this Moment but when I shall have effected the Insurance & got the Charges of Shipping I will furnish you a compleat Acct

I beg leave to refer you to the above Copy of mine of the 31st ult^o & to assure you I am^r the utmost Respect

Sir

your most ob^t humble Servt

for Matthew Boulton

Sign^d W D Brown

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Elias Boudinot Esqr. Copie Soho April 29th 1799

Sir,

I refer you to mine of the 16th Current & 1st the Amelia since which I have effected the Shipment of your Ranchets and to the Amount Copy of Weights I have added the Money Part & also the Premium of Insurance, the whole amounting to £1610..7..5. of which I have only received in part £800. the balance or the greatest part thereof I hope is already on its passage as Money with me at this juncture is remarkably scarce.

The Enquiry into the State of the Copper Mines I believe has been gone into but the result is not known to the writer & Mr. Boulton himself is now in London on the Business but just on the Eve of returning therefore must defer my promised information until my next. on arrival of the Amelia you will please procure the necessary information of her Sailing either with the Convoy or Armed Ships that I may procure Insurance thereon.

The Amelia is an American Vessel.

I am
Sir your very Obt. Servt.
for Matthew Boulton
Signd
Wm. O. Brown

B 1 a 60. 60 Casks Wt. 7..21. N. Copper a £19. £1152..3..9

Rolling, Cutting &c, Rounding Edges, Annealing 199..2..21 by Handsels a £. 27 } 269..11..7
60 Casks — — — — — — — — — — a 2/6 — — 6..—..—

Duty & Port Charges at Liverpool { Handsels 232 4..1 } 34..4..1

Prem. of Insurance on £1600 for the Amelia
at Stokesbury at 6 Guineas p Cent to return 4 p Cent
if sails with the Convoy for America or 2 p Cent if sails with
Armed Ships and arrives — — — — — — — — — — } 134..8..—

Policy — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 2..—..—

Commission for procuring the Insurance — — — — — — 4..—..—
£1610..7..5

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Elias Boudinot Esq.r

Soho near Birmingham May 31st 99

Sir

I Received your esteemed favor of the 20 March

on the 27th Curt. covering Capt Stewart Bill of Baltimore on

Brickmonds & Parish of London Three Bills Value together £850.—

Say Eleven hundred fifty four Sterling, payable at 90 days sight which when

paid shall be passed to your Credit, I perceive by examining the

Copy of my Acct. enclosed (to which in mine to my Little Boy I refer)

that in the original I have made a mistake in the Duty &

Post charges at Liverpool which was £32.4.1, therefore the total

£1605.7.5 which you will please Note accordingly. I am yet

unable to give you any Acct. of the Report of the Committee of

Enquiry on the Copper Business as the discussion in parliament has

been put off from time to time: Mr. Boulton & myself returned to

London on the same day I wrote you Saturday that nothing was yet done.

Unless you should write with positive orders to send out more Blanks

I do not

be the price be what it may, there will be no hesitating how to proceed. there is every appearance of the price being £130 ₰ Ton in Bengal cake which is my Invoice I charge £116

I am much surprized that none of my letters had reached you in the 20 March last hope ere this you will have received the whole except the second, the Standard I hope you will have received before long before this reaches your hands the Knowledge of which will give pleasure to

Yr Your very humble Servt
for Matthew Boulton
Wm D Brown
C

The Master of the United States of America &c
to Matthew Boulton

'91
April 18. Shipped on Liverpool & Philadelphia } £1608 . 7 . 5
60 Casks of Standard ₰ Invoice

Cr
By Bill on Aberdeen £400
By Bills on Birmingham 1150 1550
Balance due to MB. £ 58 . 7 . 5

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Elias Boudinot Esqr

Soho April 13. 1799

near Birmingham

Sir

Referring you to my respects of the 3^d Curr^t I have since been advised by my Agent of the Ships for Philadelphia, The one a British Ship will carry the other an American, the premium in that we expect to be 1½ p^c with Letter & 8 p^c on the former but on both will be an Insurance to Liverpool about the time your Blanket will reach Liverpool I cannot say what Vessel our Agent will be able to secure as Such Agent Soho will only be able to furnish you with the Content of the packages, what I shall have I shall desire my Agent to send you a Bill of Lading with the Vessel that comes out the Blankets & shall send the Letter to be put into the Bag of the Vessel. An investigation of the State of the Copper Mines is now before a Committee of the House of Commons the result of which will be favorable to the reduction of Price or at least to regulate it so as to

Sir

Keep it under two bonds, I shall get the Insurance effected by
order this or how as possible & shall furnish you a regular bond
by the first opportunity after it is done being in the meantime

I am very Dr Sir
Your very Hble Servt
Fr Matthew Boulton
Wm B Brown

No	Ft	Gross £ s d	Net £ s d
1	11. 13.	3. 1. 12. 8	3. 1. —
2	10. 13	3. 1. 11. 4	3. 1 —
3	14 —	3. 2. 4	3. 1. 14
4	12. 14	3. 1. 17. 4	3. 1. 4
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39	13. 6	3. 2. — 4	3. 1. 14
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41	11. 12	3. 1. 22. 8	3. 1. 10
42	11. 2	3. 2. 5. 8	3. 1. 22
43	13. 1	3. 1. 21. 8	3. 1. 8
44	11. 6	3. 1. 12. 4	3. 1 —
45	12. 8	3. 2. — 4	3. 1. 14
46	11. 14	3. 1. 25. 4	3. 1. 13
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49	12. 14	3. 1. 17. 8	3. 1. 4
50	11. 13	3. 1. 19. 8	3. 1. 7
51	13. 2	3. 1. 21. 4	3. 1. 7
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Elias Boudinot Esq.

Philad. April 25th 1795

Sir

I refer you to mine of the 10th Inst. per the Amelia since which I have settled the Shipment of your Blankets &c to the Amount Cost of Weight & have added the Money part also the Premium of Insurance, the whole Amounting to £1610.7.5. of which I have only received in part £400. the Loan or the greatest part thereof. I hope it shall be in my Power to pay the Remainder in a few days.

The Enquiry into the Failure of the Copper Mine I believe has been gone into, but the result is not known to the Under-

signed. Mr Boudinot himself is now in London on the Business but just on the Eve of returning therefore must defer my further information until my next, or arrival of the Amelia you will please procure the necessary information of her sailing either with Convoy or Armed Ship that I may procure the return of my Due. The Amelia is an American Vessel 206 Tons Burthen

I am Sir your very Obt. Servt.

for Malcolm Boulton

Wm D Brown

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Copies

Soho April 10th 1799

Elias Boudinot Esqr

near

Birmingham

for

Referring you to my respects as per Annexed Copy of the 2d Inst. I have since been advised by my Agent of the Ships for Philadelphia, The one a British Ship Will Armer the other an American, the premiums on which are expected to be 17½ Gs. on the Latter, & 15 Gs. on the former but as both will be on the point of sailing about the time your Mandate will reach Liverpool cannot now say which Vessel my Agent will be able to Ship by as such I fear I shall only be able to furnish you with the Contents of the Packages, which I shall ~~enc~~, I shall desire my Agent to send you a Bill of Lading with the Vessel that brings out the Planchets, and have ordered this Letter to be put into the Bag of the same Vessel. An investigation of the State of the Copper Mines is now before a Committee of the House of Commons the result I hope will be favorable to the reduction of price or at least to regulate it so as to keep it within due bounds. I shall get the Insurance effected by either Ship as low as possible & shall furnish you a Regular Acct by the first opportunity, after it is done being in the mean time

for

Your very Hble Servt

for

Matthew Boulton

Signed

Wm. D. Moore

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£ 199 . 2 . 21 . Net Weight . . . £ 116 . . . £ 1158 . 3 . 9

Rolling, Cutting and Running Edges Answering £ 26 . 11 . 7

to £ . . . 199 . 2 . 21 . of Plates . £ 27 . 6 .

to Cash . . . 2/6 . £ 8

Duty & Port Charges at Liverpool . £ 34 . 4 . 1

Prem^m of Insurance to Lisbon & the Amelia £ 134 . 8 . " / 2 / 4 / £ 1610 . 7 . 5

A Solesbury at 8 Guineas p^r to receive & p^d Cost of Sails and Clearing for America & charges of Sails to

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not liable to be out of order & most Durable in its
construction & with 8 Foundling Boys can Strike 30
Thousd. pieces of Flour without fatigue. I shall send Mr King
& Mr Bayard my first Mint but the present far exceeds
it & is not similar to any Machine ever erected before—
As you wished to see a Statement of my acct for the
two first Cargoes of Plate which I delivered to Mr Bayard I
have subjoin the same; and beg leave to assure you that
on my part our Correspondence in future shall be carried
on with more regularity & punctuality than it has been
wishing you health & the Enjoyment of many happy years
I remain
Sir Your most Obed.t humble Servt
Matthew Boulton
of Soho

RG104 E-2 Folder 1

Elias Boudinot Esqr

Soho April 2^d 1778

Dear Birmingham

Sir

Referring to my request of the 24th Ultimo

which I am not now time to copy for want of time to

save the Packet that will be made up to Morrow

I must now beg leave to acquaint you that I have

not been able to ship you the 10 tons of Blankets

owing to the severity of the Winter which has for both

together put a stop to all inland Navigation which

prevented my receiving the Cake Copper from the

Smelting Works in Wales. I trust only disappointed you

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but prevented by reason of my Contract with the
British Government

I have now completed 60 Cask,
ready to Ton which I shall not miss the first Ship
that offers either from Bristol or Liverpool to
convey to your City. The Copper is most extraordinary
adorned in place I must request you will not
fail remitting me by first opportunity the Balance
or nearly that as you can make it convenient as
I cannot replace the Cake Copper from which these
Planchet was made at an advance if Lo[ndon] on
what I shall charge them, the Reason thereof
referred will convince you of the Truth of my position
from the best calculation I can make, without knowing
the exact charges of Shipping, Insurance, Duty &c. &c.
will at least be £1800.

Until the Ship that takes the Planchet
I could wish you the Patterns compleat for you all
the information I shall in the mean time obtain on
the Subject of Copper being

I am Dear Sir your most Obed[t] Hum[ble] Serv[t]
for Matthew Boulton
Wm Brown

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Mr 24

Mark of the Ord 20 March 1797

Matthew Boulton Esq

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I have the honor of writing yours of the date 5th July 10th Oct 3d & 5th Nov 1796 last, but have not been favored with a line in Answer — I am at a Loss to know the Reason of your Silence, as we are totally out of Plumbs, and of Course many of our Customers must be disappointed unless we can receive an immediate Supply — The Copper Company in England had offered to supply us Constantly, but I preferred the Plumbs to be sent from you, as they fully answered my Purpose — I therefore wished an explicit Answer from you whether I might depend upon a punctual Supply from you three or four Times a Year, amounting to 30, 40 or 50 Tons Plumbum — I sent you in my Letter of 5 Oct a Bill of Exchange for £ 600 Sterling drawn by Hamd Dilgarden of the Island of Jamaica on Messrs Glover Bebille & Co Merchts in London, but am not advised of the Receipt of it, the 30 Day's Date — I now enclose you the first Bill of 2 of the Drafts drawn by Hamd Dilgarden of Baltimore on Messrs Glover Bebille & Co Merchts in London Dated 4th July 97 Payable to Bearer at Sight for the Sum of £ 1150 — Sterling payable in 30 Days, which I beg you will carry to the Credit of the Merchant of the Ship Trust in Case that Plumbs to the amount are on the Way — I must beg to hear from you by first Opportunity and Am Dear Sir Your Most Obt Servt

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H. M. S. Jason 16 29

Sir

The following are Copies of my two last Letters of which I forwarded Duplicates by Capt. Barry not any Answer from you relative to further Supplies — I must beg you will not misunderstand me a Quantity of Provisions by the very first Vessel, but it should be sent as soon as Possible, as I am again without any to proceed in Pursuit of your last Letter I hope will be Answer as to the Supplies we may expect —

I have the Honour to be Sir
Your Obt. & H. Servt.

H. B. Bt

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Sir — Burghclere 13th March 1799

I have been favored with Duplicates of your Letter to me dated 28th Feb.y for which I feel myself much obliged — I was not aware at the time I sent Mr Comptons orders that they were not competent to invest Him the not entirely in that usual line of succession such a manner as to give perfect satisfaction the Specimens you have returned I some conversation I had with Boulton has convinced me that it is in his power to make the Planchets both better cheaper than ours does, That he buys the Copper of us in the first instance some years ago, He having one reason to suppose that we should obtain the Coinage of Copper in our works for that purpose which we have never obtained from the Mint at that time I meant at keeping him always the option to have it coined in the Mint, if we had the contract to supply the Copper the Planchets, Should we ever obtain the Coinage, He however had interest to get it, He now remunerating himself for his former expences — His works being more like ours almost all the copper is melted & rolled by Steam — Likewise much cheaper, having Machinery so intirely adapted to the Business, that we have very considerable advantages he has ever us, we are obliged to have most of our manufactured work, especially any thing of this kind done in a workman-

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I have no machinery for the purpose tho' it has cost us
ours found most so much inferior to what has been
excited it to great an expence as to have supplied the
bright Yard with Copper but have not the art of melting &
making it of that Quality we have incurred the expence by
so frequently damaging the Cutting Brizel. Our principal
Agent here whom we have lately got rid of did not execute
his work in such a manner as it ought to have been done if the whole
Expences had laid on the Rolling we should not have been
able to give you satisfaction. I have our Company & myself
in particular a great concern that we are obliged to decline
so valuable a connection & feel much obliged by the Favor
you intend of giving us the preference & you will likewise
likely have our Copper as we supply Mint with as much
as it's convenient for us to cut here have I been now on
agreement to furnish him constantly with Five Tons & have
have paid the Company by the Direction of Mr Clifton
£36. 13. 2 being the balance of your Account for which
you have credit on their Books. I have the honor to remain
with great Respect Sir
Your obliged & obedient Servant
William J. Coltman

Tom Mr J. Coltman
19th March 1799
Rec'd June 21st —99

Chas Dunbar Esqr
Director of the Mint
at the United States
Philadelphia

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		Standard oz	Standard dwts	Value £ s d
1795 Sept 30	Balance of Silver Bullion & Fine for coinage this Day to the Treasurer of the Establishment at Fort St	9352	5 12	1079 1
	Silver Bullion in the possession of the Chief Coiner at the Establishment at Fort St	9332	16 20	7719 13
	Total Loss on Silver	2119	9 16	2791 17

Bench

Prepared allowance by Director of 2 Pcs of Coin in each — returned by Chief Coiner for — added by him as equivalent to Wastage sustained in different processes during the Year 1795:

2 Pcs for 240 Pcs 240 Pcs 16 dwts 3 Grs Weight of Coins returned by Chief Coiner to 30 Sept 94 105 2 0
3 — 120 — 10 — 17 — 2 — 0 — 3 — to 30 Sept 96 — 3 — 1570 11 11 1012 13 5

Standard

9319 17 5 779 17 5

Standard Silver Bullion certified by Chief Coiner to be in his possession 7310 130

100 Clipping Pieces in possession of the Treasurer of the Establishment to be delivered by him to Chief Coiner when they are required by Commissioners 100

7210 130

Received 365 5 dwts Standard Silver, belonging to the Estate deposited by Mr Bunyon in 50 Bars — which was delivered to Coiner by order of Director & the Receipt taken therefor, but was not entered in Treasurers Books as no Bullion was received having been found to be Silver

365 5

6939 16 20 1799 13

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Elias Boudinot Esq.

Copie

Soho April 2. 1799
near Birmingham.

Sir

Referring to my respects of the 2d Decr. which I have not now time to copy for want of time to save the Packet that will be made up to Harrow I must now beg leave to acquaint you that I have not been able to Ship you the 10 Tons of Planchels Owing to the severity of the Winter which has for 6 Weeks together put a Stop to all inland Navigation which prevented my receiving the Cakes Copper from the Smelting Works in Wales & not only disappointed you but prevented my execution of my Contract with the British Government.

I have now completed 60 Cases nearly 10 Tons which I must miss the first Ship that offers either from Bristol or Liverpool to your City. And as Copper is most extraordinarily advanced in Price I must request you will not fail remitting me by first opportunity the Balance as nearly due as you can make it convenient, as I cannot replace the Cakes Copper from which these Planchels was made at an advance of £10 p Ton, on what I shall Charge them, Mr. Rufus King can from Experience convince you of the truth of my assertion from the best calculation I can make the Amount without knowing the exact charges of Shipping Insurance, & Duty for Convoy will at least be £1500.

With the Ship that takes the Planchels I will send you the Invoice compleat & give you all the information I shall in the mean time obtain on the subject of Copper being very respectfully

Sir

Your most obt. Servt.

Signed For Matw. Boulton
Wm. D. Brown

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Dec.r 2 The Director of the mint by a letter of this date to the Reverend
J.s Bond of Billsmore, remitted him money to purchase Bills
of Exchange on London, to the amount of £ 5562.11 drawn by the
Treasurer of the Mint on Matthew Boulton — The Bill was accordingly bought by
Mr. Bond on D.d Edwards & Sons of Birmingham 16 Days
1799 at 90 D.s sight on Richards & Daniel London for
£ 11251. 11. Sterling at 161 Exchange — £ 5370.33
the bill however (by an advertency I suppose) was drawn in
favor of the Rev.d J.s Bond — and by him endorsed —
it was forwarded to Matthew Boulton, Esq.r near Birmingham
England, in payment for Copper imported for the purpose of
making Cash —
You will please to observe, that all remittances made in Sterling
money, are charged by the Treasurer of the mint at the par of Exch.e
also, all moneys of Copper received by him, are credited at the same
rate — The Gain or loss on the Silver given for the Bills, above or below
that is carried to Profit & loss on Exchange — The above bill was
charged by Mr. Boulton, when remitted to him, as follows —
To Bank paid for £ 11251. 11. Sterling at 161 D.s — 5370.33
To Profit & Loss for the difference in being gain between the am.t
paid for the Bill & its value at par — viz.t
value of £ 11251. 11. Sterling at 160 75 5562.44 } 189. 11 5562.44
to deduct Cost as above 5370.33